

Week 4 summary:

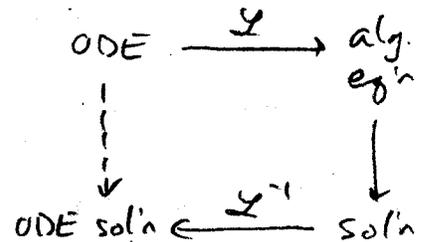
- Laplace transforms:  $\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\}(s) = \int_0^{\infty} y(t) e^{-st} dt = Y(s)$

Turns derivatives into multiplication by  $s$ .

$$\mathcal{L}(y') = sY - y(0)$$

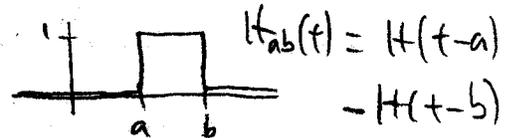
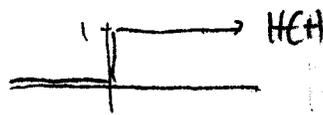
$$\mathcal{L}(y'') = s^2Y - sy(0) - y'(0)$$

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- Piecewise continuous functions can be written concisely using

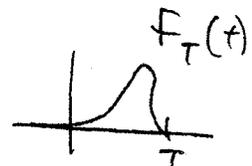
Heaviside functions:



- $\mathcal{L}\{e^{ct} f(t)\}(s) = F(s-c)$

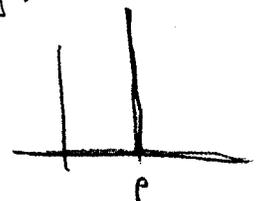
$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t-c)H(t-c)\}(s) = e^{-cs}F(s) \quad \text{if } c \geq 0.$$

- If  $f(t)$  is periodic with period  $T$  and "window"



$$\text{then } \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}(s) = \frac{F_T(s)}{1 - e^{-sT}} = F_T(s) [1 + e^{-sT} + e^{-2sT} + e^{-3sT} + \dots]$$

- Delta "function":  $\delta_p(t) = \begin{cases} \infty & t=p \\ 0 & t \neq p \end{cases} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \delta_p^\epsilon(t)$



$$* \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_0(t) dt = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_p(t) f(t) dt = f(p)$$

$$* \mathcal{L}(\delta_0(t)) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}(\delta_p(t)) = e^{-sp}$$

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- Fourier series: If  $f(x)$  is  $2L$ -periodic, then we can write

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

where  $a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$

- These formulas arose because we defined  $\langle f(x), g(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) g(x) dx$ ; we are "projecting"  $f(x)$  onto the cosine & sine functions:

$$a_n = \langle f(x), \cos nx \rangle, \quad b_n = \langle f(x), \sin nx \rangle.$$

- Even functions:  $f(x) = f(-x)$

\* Symmetric about y-axis.

\* Fourier series contains only cosines

$$* \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

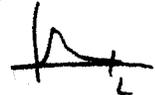
- Odd functions:  $f(x) = -f(-x)$

\* Symmetric about origin

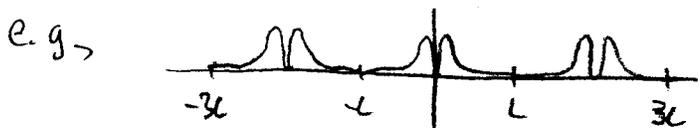
\* Fourier series contains only sines

$$* \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = 0$$

- Fourier cosine & sine series:

Start with a function  $f(x)$  on  $[0, L]$ , e.g., 

\* Fourier cosine series is the Fourier series of the even extension.



$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right),$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

\* Fourier sine series is the Fourier series of the odd extension.



$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

- Complex Fourier series:

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{-\frac{i n \pi x}{L}} = C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n e^{-\frac{i n \pi x}{L}} + C_{-n} e^{\frac{i n \pi x}{L}}$$

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-\frac{i n \pi x}{L}} dx$$

$$a_n = C_n + C_{-n}$$

$$b_n = i(C_n - C_{-n})$$

$$C_n = \frac{a_n - i b_n}{2}, \quad C_{-n} = \frac{a_n + i b_n}{2}$$

- Partial differential equations (PDEs): Equations involving a multivariate function & its partial derivatives.

\* Heat equation:  $u_t = c^2 u_{xx}$ , with 2 boundary conditions and 1 initial condition.

\* Solve using separation of variables: Assume  $u(x,t) = f(x)g(t)$ . and plug back in, solve for  $f$  &  $g$ .

Finally, plug in  $t=0$  & set equal to the initial condition.

Use Fourier sine/cosine series.